

Applicant does not traverse the Restriction.

Applicant continues to assert allowability of non elected claims for possible further prosecution in one or more continuation, continuation-in-part or divisional applications or otherwise.

REMARKS

Comments of the Examiner have been reviewed carefully along with pertinent sections of the Patent Act, Patent Rules, Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, legal treatises and relevant decisional law.

The Applicant took a position that the Application contains claims directed to two (2) patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

1. Species 1 shown in Figs. 3A-7B.
2. Species 2 shown in Figs. 8-9B.

Applicant was required under 35 USC 121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims will be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. In response to the Restriction, Applicant elected Species I shown in

Figs. 3A-7B on which claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 8 and 9 read.

Applicant does not traverse the Restriction. He has listed all claims readable on the elected species and he will restrict claims subsequently added to the elected species.

Upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141. If claims are added after the Election, Applicant indicate which are readable upon the elected species as called for in MPEP §809.02(a).

The foregoing is believed to be a full and complete response to the Restriction. If anything further is required, do not hesitate to telephone Applicant's United States Attorney who's contact information is set forth below.

Courtesy, cooperation and skill of Examiners Isaac N. HAMILTON and Boyer
ASHLEY are acknowledged and appreciated.

Respectfully,

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